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Dear Mom & Dad,

We put our different pictures on the walls today and it adds a lot to the apartment. The four prints we got in China look very elegant. This apartment really suits us; the house was too big and had an empty feeling. We have the best location in the complex overlooking the pool, tennis courts, and volleyball court rather than a parking lot or highway. Sundays there are free rolls, juice, and coffee so we don't fix a big breakfast but go over to the clubhouse instead. There was bridge last week and a happy hour during which glasses, ice, and mixer are provided free. The "social" atmosphere is fun because ~~so~~ all are adults and while most are young there is a wide range of ages. There are several hundred people in the complex and we are looking forward to meeting many -

Something we never really did in
Dahlgren.

My job is very interesting. The
travel freeze was recently lifted
and I will be going to Calif.
soon. I won't even be gone for too
long which is nice. Vickie will
probably try to get a job this
week. The bus service is very
convenient here and it takes only
15-20 min to get to downtown
Wash D.C. even in rush hour.
I'm driving to work because I
sometimes need the car during the
day and my schedule is variable.

We're planning to visit the
McKinstays next weekend and in
April our friends in Chicago are
coming to town. Vickie and I
are both ~~so~~ very happy to be
up here and hope you can come
for a visit. Wish Mary and
Mike could make it back.

Got your letter but he will
probably stick with precision!

Jim & Vickie